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## House Resolution No. 2233

Whereas, as the 2006-2007 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Kennett School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on May 25, 2007, with the retirement of Myrna Kay Kirkwood who has devoted thirty-four years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

Whereas, Myrna Kirkwood has taught for thirty-two years in the Kennett School District, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Myrna Kirkwood taught learning disabilities and orthopedically impaired classes prior to assuming her current responsibilities as an educable mentally handicapped teacher; and

Whereas, Myrna Kirkwood has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

**Whereas**, so many young Missourians have left the classrooms of the Kennett School District fully prepared to face the challenges ahead as a result of the outstanding professional endeavors of Myrna Kirkwood; and

Whereas, Myrna Kirkwood has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Michael Kirkwood; two children and their spouses, Amy and Clem Peters and Meagan and Dustin Rhoades; and two grandchildren, Brooklyn Michael Rhoades and Baby Peters:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join the Kennett School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Myrna Kirkwood has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Myrna Kay Kirkwood, as a measure of our esteem for her.

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2233, adopted April 18, 2007.